

Sterling High School

Parent Emergency Guide



501 S. Warwick Rd., Somerdale, N.J.

SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN

Sterling High School has a School Crisis & Emergency Response Plan. The plans are updated annually and reviewed with all school staff members. The plans include detailed school information and staff responsibilities before, during and after an incident. The plans encompass numerous potential scenarios that may occur both on and off campus.

VISITOR SIGN-IN

Sterling High School is dedicated to maintaining a safe learning environment. To help accomplish this goal, Sterling High School utilizes a single point of entry. Upon arriving in the main office of the school (front of building), you will be asked to provide identification (driver's license, government ID, or other photo ID) and you will receive a visitors' badge if going beyond the front office or checkpoint. Please wear your badge at all times when on the school campus. Having the badge lets school staff know who you are and that you are there for an approved purpose.

EMERGENCY PREPARATION

Sterling High School is required to prepare and submit for approval a School Safety Plan. The plans focus on handling crisis or emergencies. The School Safety Plans include the following information:

- * Positions and responsibilities for each member of the school's emergency response team
- * The location of the school's command center
- * The school's evacuation assembly areas
- * The school's primary and secondary evacuation locations.

Every school is required to perform fire evacuation drills and school safety exercises throughout the year to test their emergency plans (N.J.18A:41-1).

KEEPING THE STUDENTS SAFE

One of the safest places for your student to be is in school. Even though major incidents at schools are rare, it is important that Sterling High School staff plan, prepare and be vigilant. Our school conducts regular safety training programs with students and staff to assure that everyone is ready and prepared, should an incident occur.

Should a major incident occur in or around Sterling High School, you or a designated contact person will be notified regarding the nature of the event and instructions to be followed. We ask that you refrain from calling the school or coming to campus, as the teachers and staff will be focusing on safeguarding the students and keeping the lines of communication open.



Dear Parents:

When an incident occurs at or near Sterling High School, you can rest assured that the matter is being handled by our staff of emergency responders.

All staff members at Sterling High School are fully trained and poised to respond to all types of situations.

This guide was developed to provide parents with information on how Sterling High School's safety team works together with local authorities to ensure your student(s) safety and security.

Go Knights !

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Principal